

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: ANNUAL REPORTS	DOCKET NO. RMU-00-3
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ORDER ADOPTING RULES

(Issued April 12, 2000)

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code §§ 17A.4, 474.5, 476.1, 476.2(1), 476.9, and 476.31 (1999), the Utilities Board adopts the amendment attached hereto and incorporated by reference. This rule amends the requirements contained in 199 IAC 23.2(8) with respect to the information contained in the annual reports of rate-regulated gas and electric companies. The reasons for adopting this amendment are set forth in the attached notice of intended action.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. A rule making, identified as Docket No. RMU-00-3, is adopted.

2. The Executive Secretary is directed to submit for publication in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin a notice in the form attached to and incorporated by reference in this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.
Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 12th day of April, 2000.

UTILITIES DIVISION [199]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 17A.4, 474.5, 476.1, 476.2(1), 476.9, and 476.31 (1999), the Utilities Board (Board) gives notice that on April 12, 2000, the Board issued an order in Docket No. RMU-00-3, In re: Annual Reports, "Order Adopting Rules."

Rule 199 IAC 23.2(8) contains some of the requirements for the annual reports filed by rate-regulated gas and electric utilities. The adopted rule amends 199 IAC 23.2(8) by eliminating the requirements contained in parts (c) and (d) of the subrule.

On January 31, 2000, the Board issued an order to consider adopting an amendment to rule 23.2(8). The proposed rule making was published in IAB Vol. XXII, No. 17 (2/23/00) p. 1330, as ARC 9700A. Written statements of position were filed by the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate), IES Utilities Inc., and Interstate Power Company. The written statements supported adoption of the proposed rules. An oral presentation was not requested or scheduled.

The adopted rule is intended to implement the Board's changes to the annual report forms. The Board has undertaken a complete review of its annual report forms and requirements and eliminated pages of required information no longer

useful or relevant or duplicated elsewhere in the reports. Most of these changes could be implemented without changes to the rules. However, the adopted rule is necessary to eliminate the reporting requirements contained in parts (c) and (d) of 199 IAC 23.2(8) regarding aggregate measures of service quality and cost efficiency and reports identifying the value of those measures. The listing of aggregate measures has not proved useful and, if necessary, such information can be obtained by the Board or the Consumer Advocate.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 476.1, 476.2(1), 476.9, and 476.31.

This amendment will become effective June 7, 2000.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 23.2(8) as follows:

23.2(8) The respondent shall file as part of its annual report filed with the board (a) a list (by title, author, and date) of any financial, statistical, technical or operational reviews or reports that a company may prepare for distribution to stockholders, bondholders, utility organizations or associations or other interested parties, and (b) a list (by form number and title) of all financial, statistical, technical and operational review-related documents filed with an agency of the federal government, ~~(c) a list identifying the aggregate measures of service quality and cost efficiency utilized by the president or chief operating officer for the utility's Iowa operations, and (d) a list identifying the report(s) utilized by the president or~~

~~chief operating officer for the utility's Iowa operations containing the most recent
value for each measure identified in "c."~~

April 12, 2000

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

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Chairperson